Executive Summary

In October of 2009, the Transportation Planning Branch of the North Carolina Department of Transportation and Currituck County initiated a study to cooperatively develop the Currituck County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). This is a long range multi-modal transportation plan that covers transportation needs through 2035. Modes of transportation evaluated as part of this plan include: highway, public transportation and rail, bicycle, and pedestrian. This plan does not cover standard bridge replacements, routine maintenance, or minor operations issues. Refer to Appendix A for contact information on these types of issues.

Findings of this CTP study were based on an analysis of the transportation system, environmental screening, and public input. Refer to Figure 1 for the CTP maps, which were mutually endorsed/adopted in 2011. Implementation of the plan is the responsibility of Currituck County and NCDOT. Refer to Chapter 2 for information on the implementation process.

This report documents the recommendations for improvements that are included in the Currituck County CTP. The major recommendations for improvements are listed below. More detailed information about these and other recommendations can be found in Chapter 2.

- R-2576: Construct Mid-Currituck Bridge across Currituck Sound connecting mainland Currituck County with Corolla.
- R-2574: Widen US 158 to a four-lane expressway from Camden County to the proposed Mid-Currituck Bridge.
- **CURR0001-H:** Improve US 158 to a four-lane divided boulevard from the proposed Mid-Currituck Bridge to Dare County.
- CURR0002-H: Improve NC 168 to a four-lane divided boulevard from Virginia to US 158.
- CURR0003-H: Construct a four-lane freeway on new location bypassing Moyock from NC 168 near Virginia to US 158, with interchanges at NC 168, South Mills Road (SR 1227/1218), NC 34 and US 158.
- **CURR0001-T:** Provide public transit on NC 12 along the Outer Banks portion in Currituck County.